Obit: Clara Prunty

• Clara Marie Hanson Prunty, daughter of Charles and Julia (Nessheim) Hanson, was born on October 15, 1904 at Sand Lake near Columbia, South Dakota. Clara grew up on the family farm and attended rural school. Following her education, Clara worked in various businesses in Columbia and Carthage, South Dakota. She married Thomas William "Bill" Prunty at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Following their marriage the couple lived in Ordway, Houghton and Cartage, South Dakota. Bill passed away June 9, 1960 and Clara moved to Lakefield, Minnesota that same year.



- Clara was active in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Carthage and attended circle Ladies aid at Bethlehem Lutheran in Lakefield and always enjoyed singing in the church choirs.
- Clara died on Monday evening February 6, 2006 at Colonial Manor in Lakefield. She was 101 years, 3 months and 13 days old.
- Clara is survived by a daughter Annis and her husband John Jerlow of Lakefield; two grandsons Thomas Dean Jerlow and John Steven Jerlow; four great granddaugthers Alyssa Jerlow, Sandra Zelko, Alison Jerlow and fiancé Jeff Simison and Alanna and her husband Mike McNamara, two sisters, Irene and her husband Raymond Jones and Colleen Stange; three sisters-in-law Irene Hanson, Gertrude Prunty and Lou Prunty and numerous loving nieces and nephews.
- Clara was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, five brothers Connie, Norwood, Marvin, Lester and Charles and two sisters Esther Boyer and Selma Van Winkle.
- A celebration of life service will be held later at Trinity Lutheran Church in Houghton, South Dakota with burial at that time, at noon on May 20, 2006.
- BLESSED BE HER MEMORY